

OTTAWA JEWISH BULLETIN & REVIEW

Rosh Hashanah – 5738

Begins Monday, Sept. 12

And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, ye shall have a holy convocation, ye shall do no manner of servile work; it is a day of blowing the ram's horn unto you.

Numbers 29:1

FIRST CLASS MAIL

שנה טובה תבוא

*May the coming New Year
bring to you and yours
all the blessings of peace, health,
joy and happiness*



Rosh Ha-Shanah plate, Delft, Holland, c. 1700. The plate was used for the apple dipped in honey consumed on that festival to betoken a sweet year.

Delft plate, 18th century Holland. Faience, with the words Hasimah Tovah, "a favorable inscription". This plate was used to serve the hallah and honey during the festive meal preceding the Atonement fast. Of interest is the spelling error in the word Hasimah.

Vaad Report

by Gilbert Greenberg

President, Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir
(Jewish Community Council)



With the opening of our communal schools next week, I thought that I would devote this column to preparations which have been made by the Ottawa Talmud Torah Board, the Ottawa Modern Jewish School and the Temple Israel Religious School for the coming year, as told to me.

Ottawa Talmud Torah Board Schools

Rabbi Yaacov Kaploun, the Director of Education informs me that Ross L. Richardson of Ottawa has been appointed Supervisor of the General Studies program and Principal of the west end branch of the Hillel Academy. A graduate of Carleton and the University of Ottawa, from which he holds a M.Ed., Mr. Richardson has had many years of administrative experience with the Ottawa Board of Education system. He has been vice-principal at York Street School and Hopewell Avenue School and principal of the Ottawa Board of Education summer school and the McGregor Easson school. A continued upgrading of the general studies program is anticipated under his direction.

The school administration is optimistic about enrolment, particularly at the lower levels. A student body of about 300 is anticipated. In the pre-school department, some classes have been filled and additional staff has had to be hired. Some revisions in the Hebrew curriculum have taken place and staffing is complete. Bar-Mitzvah training will continue to be offered at both the west end and central branches.

Space is still a problem and about 80 pupils will have to be shuttled between both branches each day. Some repairs and improvements have been made at both locations and a special room has been equipped for the new all-day trilingual kindergarten established in the west end. The downtown trilingual kindergarten which enjoyed a high level of success last year is, of course, to continue.

Mrs. Gunner, Supervisor of the Talmud Torah Afternoon School informs me that enrolment for 1977-78 looks very positive. Due to increased numbers a new Kindergarten and Grade 1 classes have been formed. A fully qualified professional staff have been hired. Students will benefit from new texts introduced successfully last year and from an updated curriculum which will be fully implemented this year. A Special Education Class and Adult Classes enthusiastically received last year will again be offered. A most promising year is anticipated.

Ottawa Modern Jewish School

Professor Gerald Cammy, the Principal of the Ottawa Modern Jewish School, reminds me that it was established in 1953 under the presidency of Abe Palmer and is now observing its 25th anniversary. The school was organized by parents who wanted their children to have an awareness of their heritage as members of the Jewish community and a positive identification with current Jewish life.

The staff comprises the principal, 11 teachers and 4 assistants who are graduates of the school. Everything else is done by parent volunteers.

Classes include a 4-year old kindergarten, a 5-year old kindergarten and grades 1 to 7. Subjects taught include Israel, Bible stories, holidays, customs and ceremonies, Hebrew, Yiddish, history and current events. About 150 students are expected to enrol for the current school year.

Temple Israel Religious School

According to Rabbi Donald R. Gerber, Principal of the Temple Israel Religious School, the 11th successive school year begins on Sunday, September 18. Classes for grades kindergarten through 10 are held on Sundays and Wednesdays for 30 weeks.

Rabbi Gerber will be teaching the Wednesday Grade 7 Bar-Bat Mitzvah class and the Sunday confirmation class as well as meeting regularly with students for services and discussion. Mrs. Faye Swartz, the vice-principal, is concerned with the day-to-day operation. Many of last year's teachers will be returning and the curriculum remains more or less the same as last year. Kindergarten to grade 2 students are introduced to Hebrew, the Torah and related midrashic material. Grade 3 stresses literacy in Hebrew with an emphasis on prayer. Grades 4 to 6 relate to modern Israel, the Prophets of Ancient Israel, Jewish history, and the wisdom literature including Ethics of the Fathers. Grades 7 to 9 stress a broader understanding of Jewish history, the Ottawa Jewish community and its agencies, comparative religion and culminate with grade 10 comparing traditional and reform Judaism.

As in years past, the youth group and Temple will co-ordinate many activities with the school particularly regarding the holidays and festivals.

Enrolment in General

All three school systems are beneficiaries of our United Jewish Appeal. You may obtain further information on their operations or enrolment procedures by contacting the people who carry responsibility as Director of Education or Principals of the respective schools.

It is estimated that somewhere between 60 and 70 per cent of the eligible elementary school children in our community receive some form of Jewish education. In my opinion, every Jewish child should have a Jewish education. I prefer it to be a maximum full-day program; our existing schools provide a broad range and there is really no excuse for any parent who believes in Jewish continuity to deprive his child of the valuable training he needs to equip him for life as a responsible Jew in our society.

Let us make 1977-78 the year our total enrolment jumped from 60 to 70 per cent to at least 80 per cent of all the eligible children in our community.

A Happy New Year

The officers, members and staff of the Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir join me in wishing you and your families a year of good health, happiness and fulfillment. Shana tovah.

Why I Am Going On The Women's UJA Mission

So much has happened since I was last in Israel six years ago: the Yom Kippur War, the Ma'alot Massacre, the Good Fence and now a new government. I can hardly wait to see for myself how the country has changed and progressed in that period of time.

The women who were on last year's mission came back with such glowing reports that I started planning for this October almost

immediately upon their return. It is important that I see for myself how U.J.A. dollars are spent so that I can relay the message to others.

I feel the 1977 Women's Mission is important, almost imperative for Ottawa. I am looking forward to an exhilarating 10 days and invite you to share the experience with me. Let me hear from you.



Ruth Vin

In Planning Stage For Over A Year

Jewish Information & Referral Service Now in Operation

On September 1, 1977, the Jewish Information & Referral Service commenced operations under the auspices of the Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir and its Jewish Social Services Council. Essentially, the JIRS is an emerging social service agency modelled after a similar service offered in Toronto.

For the present, the JIRS will be a telephone service, facilitating contact between people and available resources. To this end, the JIRS will provide information on accommodation (needed or available to share), counselling service referrals for individuals and or families with social and psychological problems, assistance in locating resources such as financial help, recreational facilities, Jewish camps, home help for the elderly, employment opportunities and the like.

The service will co-operate with existing agencies within the local Jewish community and those of other major Jewish centres in Canada and the United States.

The JIRS will be staffed by Elaine Rabin, a graduate of the

McGill School of Social Work, plus interested and trained volunteers. A brief list of calls received at the Toronto office will provide a glimpse into what JIRS is all about.

1. Request: To assist with arrangement for 75 teens from Jewish camp in New York to stay in Toronto, including provisions for kosher food.

Followup: Made calls to University of Toronto and several kosher restaurants to check on facilities. Sent letter to New York leaving it to them to confirm arrangements.

2. Students call from time to time, requesting information and pamphlets about Toronto Jewish community; Israel.

Followup: We send them pamphlets about Israel and Toronto Jewish Services. Make referrals to Jewish Public Library (books and magazines).

3. Request for phone number of Galicianer Society.

Tracked down chairman and phone number through Jewish News clipping.

4. Senior Citizen (Jewish) collapsed and taken to Salvation Army. What to do?

Referral made to Jewish Family Service for emergency assistance.

5. Request for Hebrew-speaking doctor.

Followup: Referral to Israel Medical Association.

6. Anti-semitic cartoon strip received from neo-Nazi group.

Followup: Referral to Joint Community Relations Committee, Canadian Jewish Congress, Mr. Ben Kayfetz.

The JIRS telephone number is 232-3775. Should you wish to volunteer your services or to use the service, feel free to call. The phones will be answered during the day from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. by staff and after hours by an answerphone.

The JIRS will follow-up on all calls received to make sure that attention has been given to the request. This could include personal interviews.

Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, September 11, 1977 - 10:30 a.m.

Jewish Community Centre - Bank St South - Highway 31

ORDER OF SERVICE

1. Introduction Hyman Gould
Chairman, Cemetery Committee
Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir
2. Psalm Rabbi Saul I. Aranov
Congregation Beth Shalom
3. Psalm Rabbi Roy D. Tanenbaum
Congregation Agudath Israel
4. Address Rabbi Dr. Reuven P. Bulka
Congregation Mackzikei Hadas
5. Psalm Rabbi Donald R. Gerber
Temple Israel
6. Psalm Rabbi Mordechai Y. Berger
Young Israel
7. Moleh Cantor Moshe Kraus
Oleinu Congregation Beth Shalom
8. Kaddish Jacob Landau
Gabbai Rishon
Ottawa Chevra Kadisha

Please note that there will be no unweavings in the morning and that individual memorial prayers will not be recited from 9:45 a.m. until the service has been concluded. The service will take approximately twenty-five minutes.

Begin Stresses Importance of Bond Dollars to Mission Delegates



Lily and Moshe Feig are shown with Prime Minister Menachem Begin at the Knesset in Jerusalem during one of the sessions of the International Israel Bond Conference. The Feigs are believed to be the first Ottawa communal leaders to be photographed in Jerusalem with Mr. Begin since his election. Mr. Feig says he went to Israel with some misgivings but has returned buoyed by the experience and filled with confidence in Israel's new leadership and her future destiny.

Dear Friends:

I have just returned from an Israel Bond Mission to Eretz Israel. I bring greetings from Prime Minister Menachem Begin and his best wishes for a Shana Tova. Premier Begin expressed his deep gratitude for the warm affection and the evident unity of the North American Jewish community displayed during his recent visit to the United States. He regretted being unable to visit Canada but was grateful that so many Canadian Jewish communal leaders attended the various functions and meetings that were held during his stay.

During our Mission, we met with many Ministers and officials and were deeply impressed by their analyses and projections. Time and time again, the need for investment in Israel was stressed and deep gratitude was expressed to the hundreds of thousands of Israel Bond purchasers who have invested in the growth of Israel's infrastructure and industry. The words of Prime Minister Begin were repeated throughout the Conferences in one form or another "this government stands for free, private initiative as the instrument to build a country. We want to live on our own soil. We are grateful for any assistance, but we dream, we strive for the day we can live on our own soil. Come and invest. We shall remove obstacles of bureaucracy. We shall give security to investment, so all of us together can build up the country."

During our brief stay in Israel, we visited many new military installations, industrial plants and new development towns and witnessed first hand the impact that your Israel Bond dollars has had upon the economy. We were told of the new opportunities for export, brought about by the agreements of the European Economic Community and the removal of trade barriers between Israel and the 9 European nations. The leaders stressed that industrial production must be substantially increased to manufacture export goods to these nations in order to reduce the foreign trade deficit and strengthen the economy of Israel.

We came away from the Conference relaxed and satisfied that the new Government of Israel is striving for peace in Israel and the area for the benefit of Jews and Arabs alike. But they are striving for real peace and a lasting peace

and not a dictated peace by anyone whatsoever.

To pursue this posture we can and must negotiate only from strength — strength manifested militarily and economically. Our job in the diaspora is to help the State of Israel in its economic development only, and the least we can do is purchase greater amounts of State of Israel Bonds. By now all of us know that these Bonds are not a donation, they are cash for Israel when she receives it, and cash for us when she pays it back with interest, without fail, and on time.

I wish, my dear friends, that all of you could have been present to meet the top leaders of the House of Israel. I am sure there would be no need for me to write you or plead with you for increased help. You would do that voluntarily of your own conscience, and you would be happy to do so because the stakes here are very high.

It is not a question of so called intransigence, or of a little territory more or less. The question for us is simple — "to be or not to be".

The enemies of Israel will not retreat from their manifesto, which clearly states that they are going for victory, total victory, and total victory for them means the complete elimination, dismantling and destruction of the State of Israel.

I am sure you will agree with me and with our leaders that this proposition is not acceptable to us, regardless of how it is dressed up. Therefore, we must close our ranks and rally behind the Government and our brethren and I pledged on your behalf that what we did so far is only a beginning. We can and will do much better and tirelessly until such time as the "swords are turned into ploughshares" and all the peoples in and around Israel will have peace.

On behalf of the Israel Bond Organizations and its leaders I extend to you best wishes and a Shana Tova.

Veshnat Shalom for all the House of Israel,

Moshe Feig

Moshe Feig General Chairman



comité canada - israel committee Are Canadians Paying For PLO Activities?

The Service Universitaire Canadien Outre-Mer (SUCO), an organization funded by the federal government, has been publishing and distributing anti-Israel propaganda, some of which originated in the Arab League Information Office in Ottawa. SUCO, the Quebec division of CUSO, receives substantial grants from the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), which is responsible for administering Canada's foreign aid program. Though the government was alerted some months ago to this misuse of federal funds, nothing has been done. It is time for responsible government officials to halt these practices and abuses and to regain control of the public purse.

In addition to its mandate of arranging programs in developing countries and recruiting Canadians to service them, SUCO also conducts a development education program throughout Quebec. The theme of their program for the past few years has been "solidarity with Third World liberation movements". Activities have included propaganda attacks against Israel and Zionism as well as support for the Palestine

Liberation Organization.

In February 1976, SUCO published a 25-page booklet entitled "Sionism Apartheid". The booklet contends that Israel is a colonialist and imperialist regime similar to South Africa and that these two regimes have adopted a common strategy in oppressing the native peoples of Palestine and Southern Africa.

SUCO published a 47-page booklet entitled "Les Palestiniens entre Israël et les Régimes Arabes" in November 1976. The publication uses both the "line" and materials of Arab propagandists.

The SUCO magazine, Escargot, has also published three articles on the Middle East—one on Arabs under Israeli occupation (January 1977), one on Lebanon and the Palestinian resistance movement (September 1976), and one appealing for funds for a hospital in Lebanon run by the Palestinian Red Crescent, a PLO agency (February 1976). This latter article pointed out that the role of the Palestinian Red Crescent is to alert world opinion to the "plight of the Palestinians living under the Zionist yoke" and to denounce the crimes and tortures committed by Israel against their people. It has

been ascertained that SUCO itself has made a substantial financial contribution to this organization.

So far, Canadian officials at CIDA have maintained that they cannot prevent the utilization of public monies for these activities which run contrary to our government's foreign policy principles. This is a surprising and irresponsible attitude. Guidelines for the disbursement of such grants in Canada unambiguously state that "CIDA cannot support projects that are politically partisan".

The Canadian government is now financing an organization which lends political support to a terrorist movement, labels a friendly country and rechannels federal grants to projects supervised by the Palestine Liberation Organization. Can it be that our government does not have a system of oversight for the expenditure of some \$10,000,000 annually to CUSO? The government has only one of two choices: Either it must direct CUSO to stop its political propaganda efforts, or it must cut off government funding.

From Canadian Middle East Digest Vol. 2-19.

"Shalom Welcome Service" Needs Your Participation

By this time next month, the Jewish community of Ottawa will have a fully operational service to welcome newcomers. The "Shalom Welcome Service" as it is to be called, was initiated by the Women's Committee of the Vaad and its constituent organizations following needs expressed both at a women's seminar and during the course of the social services needs study a year ago.

The committee, headed by Susannah Dalfen, is preparing a directory listing the resources of the Jewish community. It will be sent to newcomers as the first step in the process of helping them to

adjust to their new surroundings.

A volunteer will follow-up the mailing with a phone call and a visit. This is the personal touch which will hopefully make the newcomers feel welcome and a part of the community.

The volunteer will be equipped to augment the information contained in the pamphlet and try to introduce the new arrivals to others with similar interests in Ottawa. Periodic contact will be maintained during the first few months following the initial contact.

Since the focus of the new service is on the entire family, con-

sideration will be given to children and teenagers as well as their parents. Young people are being added to the committee with this in mind. Social gatherings designed to help newcomers meet members of the community are included in the overall planning.

To a large degree, the effectiveness of the service will depend on the input and participation of existing members of the community. Anyone who meets new people or becomes aware of the existence of new people in town is asked to share that information with The Shalom Welcome Service at 232-7306.

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Their Dream Lives On

by David Markish

Twenty-five years ago, on the 12th of August, 1952, twenty-four Jews — the representatives of the cultural and social elite of the three-million strong Soviet Jewry — were executed in Moscow. The crack of the rifles, however, did not filter out from the subterranean vaults of the Lubyanka prison — the world finally discovered the tragedy only three years later, after Stalin's death.

These twenty-four victims of the Soviet regime were at first sentenced to 25 years of penal servitude, in the course of a closed trial of the Presidium of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee. They included writers, scientists, an actor, a physician. Soon after the trial, following "higher orders," the decision of the court was revised and the terms were changed to death sentences — by shooting.

The regime was apparently afraid of publicity, and the families of the convicted persons, unaware of the terrible end of their loved ones, continued to bring to the prison their pitiful money transfers even after the execution of the verdict. This horrible farce went on for about six months, until the end of the winter of 1952 when the families of the men who were shot were sent into exile for 10 years, without any trial or semblance of legal procedure.

No witnesses of that event a quarter of a century ago, who would be willing to talk, have remained.

There is no doubt today that neither court officials nor the Committee for State Security stood behind the liquidation of Jewish culture and its leading figures — it was Stalin, himself. He was the man who sanctioned the killing of the noted actor Solomon Mikhoels in Minsk, a year before the beginning of the arrests of those who would become the victims of the "12th of August." It is impossible that when ordering the liquidation of someone as prominent as Mikhoels, Stalin had not yet planned the total destruction of the remnants of Soviet Jewish culture, which had been under attack since the 1930's.

The establishment of the State of Israel in 1948 had aroused very strong nationalist feelings among Soviet Jews. Jewish soldiers and officers volunteered to fight — other Jews were prepared to collect money. As they say in Russian, "the needle was out of the sack": Soviet citizens were expressing spontaneous sympathy towards a foreign state, a dangerous precedent.

It was at that time that Stalin probably decided to take revenge against "his" Jews: to destroy their cultural elite which had a voice which was heard throughout the USSR and in the free world. By destroying Soviet Jewish culture Stalin thought to turn this small national minority into a passive, voiceless herd. It would not be too difficult, he thought, to forcibly drive this herd of three-million to some distant place in Siberia, where barracks were already being built for Jews who were to be deported.

The "action" was conducted in a classic way. Jewish actors, writers and public figures were arrested and convicted in Moscow and other major towns with a Jewish population. For convenience sake, 24 of the most prominent were gathered in a "group case" as members of the wartime Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee and accused of being "spies" and "bourgeois nationalists." These 24 who were murdered included the writers Peretz Markish, David Bergelson, David Gofshtein, Leib Kvitko, Itzik Fefer, Samuil Persov, Nakhum Levin, the actor Benjamin Zuskin, and others.

The 24 executed Jews paid with their lives for dreaming a dream which Soviet Jews are realizing — a modern Exodus.

Blessed be their memory today.

David Markish is the son of writer Peretz Markish, who was among the 24 Jewish cultural leaders killed by Stalin.

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Jack Ballon at 31

And today, the same Jack Ballon, now 73, deserves special mention for having brought in over \$1,750, from his sponsors in the U.J.A. Walkathon, which he completed for the 8th consecutive year.

Mr. Ballon thanks all his sponsors and we thank him for a great job. We wish him congratulations and best wishes for next year when he hopes to reach at least the \$1,800 figure.

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Greetings From JNF President For New Year

Friends —

I am pleased to send best wishes to the readers of your important periodical. The Anglo Jewish newspapers in Canada serve a very important and meaningful function and we of the Jewish National Fund are always pleased to cooperate with them.

During the new Jewish Year which is about to begin, the State of Israel will mark the 30th Anniversary of its establishment. During the same year, we shall mark the 1908th Anniversary of the destruction of the Temple, and the 77th Anniversary of the establishment of the Jewish National Fund. There is a definite and distinct connection between Tisha B'Av, Yom Ha'atzmut and Jewish National Fund. For 1331 years after the destruction of the Second Temple, Jews mourned its destruction, and prayed for the re-establishment of the Jewish Commonwealth. But the very first practical step that was taken was the establishment of the Jewish National Fund. Prior to 1901, very little was done to re-establish the Jewish people upon the Jewish Homeland. But with the establishment of the Jewish National Fund came a definite program of the purchase of land, the redemption of soil, the building of settlements, the planting of forests, the preparation of farms, vineyards and fields for Jewish settlement and enterprise.

Many are the factors that went into the re-establishment of the Jewish Commonwealth but first and foremost is the pioneer work performed by the Jewish National Fund for nearly half a century before the establishment of the State itself.

As Jews gather throughout Canada and indeed throughout the world to pray for a year of health, happiness and peace and contentment, it is important to look back upon what has been accomplished, as well as towards the many challenges yet remaining.

On behalf of the Jewish National Fund of Canada, I extend my best wishes to one and all and hope that by the end of the New Year, soon to begin, we will be closer to a peaceful settlement of the many problems that beset our people in Israel.

Yours sincerely,

Nathan Scott
President

Jewish National Fund of Canada

New Bulletin Social Column

The Ottawa Jewish Bulletin & Review will now include a regular column of personal and social notes. We will publish any notices of births, engagements, marriages, anniversaries or deaths if they are sent to 151 Chapel Street, in writing, two weeks prior to publication date.

שנה טובה עם שי לחייל



Greeting Card Accompanying Parcels

This is a reproduction of a New Year's greeting card which will accompany each Rosh Hashanah gift parcel sent to Israeli soldiers. The reverse side contains the name and address of the donor and establishes a direct "person-to-person" contact for the first time. Parcels are \$7.50 each. Cheques payable to Israeli Soldiers Welfare Fund should be mailed to Gilbert Greenberg, P.O. Box 5152, Station F, Ottawa, K2C 3H8. This is the seventh consecutive year the mail appeal has been made by him in Ottawa. Letters were sent out to the community last week.

Testimonial Tribute for Saul Saslove

On Sunday, October 16, 1977, Congregation Machzikei Hadas will pay tribute to its dear, devoted member and past-president, Mr. Saul Saslove.

Although Saul's major energies have been devoted to Machzikei Hadas, it has always been in the spirit of broad communal concern. In fact, Saul Saslove is a community personality, beloved by all.

The entire community, therefore, is cordially invited to attend and pay tribute to this most deserved individual.

Cocktails: 6:15 pm

Dinner: 7:15 p.m.

Tickets: \$30 couple — \$15 person

Reservations may be made by calling either

Gordie Viner — 236-2371 — 729-5821

Dave Appotive — 563-9171 — 733-

0444 or the shul office at 521-9700.

Do you have any family photographs, scrapbooks, organizational minutes, Yiddish or Hebrew letters or manuscripts?

THE OTTAWA JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY will collect historical material. Please contact Shirley Berman at 232-7306.

Volunteers Needed

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BB Ottawa Lodge Honours Past President Irving Rivers at Bond Dinner October 2

Ottawa Lodge of B'nai B'rith No. 885 will honour its distinguished Past President Irving Rivers, at a Testimonial Dinner on behalf of State of Israel Bonds on Sunday evening October 2.

Irving Rivers, one of Ottawa's most ardent communal workers, will be honoured for his long years of leadership and activity on behalf of the Jewish community and Israel.

The Testimonial Dinner, which will be held at the Jewish Community Centre, of which Mr. Rivers is President, will provide the opportunity for the community to give recognition to Irving Rivers' long time participation in communal activities and to demonstrate its support for Israel's economic growth through the Israel Bond program.

Irving Rivers, merchant and communal worker was born in Ottawa, the son of the late Leah and Jacob Rivers.

In his youth Irving was an active leader of Young Judea and A.Z.A. of which he is a life member. His very favourable experiences with A.Z.A. led to his association with B'nai B'rith. He served as President of Ottawa Lodge No. 885 in 1954 and later as President of B'nai B'rith Co-ordinating Council.



Irving Rivers

His service to Camp B'nai B'rith is well known to every camper and parent and Irving is Immediate Past President of the Camp.

Irving Rivers has been a Trustee of Adath Yeshurun Congregation and a Governor of Beth Shalom Congregation as well as President of the Hillel Academy Parent Teacher Association. He has served as chairman of the Merchant's Division of the Red Cross Campaign and is presently President of the By Ward Market Merchants Association.

Irving was married to the late Ethel Sandler of Ottawa and has three daughters, Jacqueline, a graduate of the University of Toronto, now living in Israel, Ellen a third year student at Algonquin College and Ilisa, a fourth year student at Ridgemount High School.

Nap Kapinsky, Israel Bond Chairman of Ottawa Lodge, heads a committee of B'nai B'rith leaders and members in organizing the Dinner in honour of Irving. The Dinner will be \$10 per person, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a cocktail hour preceding the Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Invitations to the Dinner will be sent to a large segment of the community including friends and associates of the guest of honour as well as to the membership of B'nai B'rith.

Reservations to the Dinner may be made with Nap Kapinsky at 236-9183 (Bus.) 234-8366 (Res.); Lou Eisenberg at 725-1057 (Bus.) 729-3622 (Res.); Gerald Snyder at 996-9295 (Bus.) 224-1842 (Res.); at the Jewish Community Centre 232-7306 and at the Israel Bond Office 236-7139.

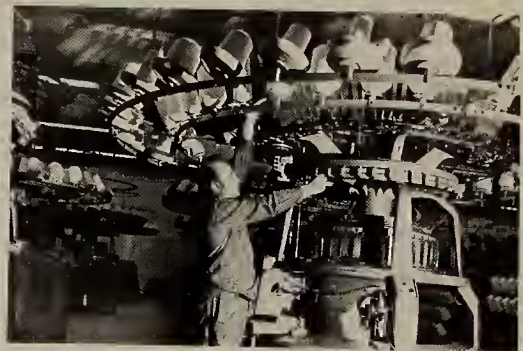
Dr. Rosenberg Named Tel Aviv U. Executive

Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, a prominent Canadian rabbi, educator and author, will assume the duties of National Executive Director, Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University, beginning with October first, it was announced today by Albert Latner, in Toronto, National President of the Organization.

Dr. Rosenberg, well known in international Jewish leadership circles, author of 16 books and many scholarly articles, and a recognized community leader, was for 18 years, Senior Rabbi of Canada's largest Jewish congregation, Beth Tzedec Synagogue of Toronto. He currently lectures on Jewish history at the University of Toronto, in addition to writing a syndicated weekly column "Lines on Life" for Canadian newspapers.

In the Canadian community, he served for 10 years as the founding President of the Canadian Foundation for Jewish Culture, and in that capacity was deeply involved in the development of programs of Jewish studies at various Canadian universities.

"Dr. Rosenberg's close connections to the field of higher education, as well as to the cultural needs of Israel and the Jewish people everywhere, combined with his long experience in community relations, will lend special knowledge and effectiveness to our efforts and will help launch exciting new programs across the country on behalf of the Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University", Mr. Latner noted. "We look forward to the initiation of many new and valuable public educational activities under his leadership, all pointing to a greater public awareness of the pivotal role being played by Tel Aviv University not only in Israel and the Middle East, but also as a major factor in the international cultural and scientific communities", Mr. Latner concluded.



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Don't sit on matured Israel Bonds. Put them to work again, supporting Israel's economy, to demonstrate your faith in Israel's future.

Shana Tova

Rabbi Fasman Receives Coveted Maimonides Award

Friends of Rabbi and Mrs. Oscar Z. Fasman, who served in Ottawa from 1940-1946, will be pleased to learn that he was recently selected as the recipient of the National "Maimonides Award" of American Mizrahi Women. It is to be presented at a scholarship dinner on October 19. The three

previous recipients were Abba Eban, Simcha Dinitz and Elie Wiesel.

The Jewish Press of Chicago of August 5 which carried the item also announced the appointment of Mrs. Oscar Z. Fasman as Director of Development of the Bais Yaakov Hebrew Parochial School.

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	2:30 p.m. — Children's Service
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September 21	8:00 p.m. — Kol Nidre
September 22	10:00 a.m. — Yom Kippur Morning Service
	2:30 p.m. — Children's service
	3:30 p.m. — Afternoon Service
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	5:30 p.m. — Neilah

Membership includes High Holiday seats. Call 770-2275. Seats exclusive of membership are also available. 224-1802.

Endowment Bequest Foundation Establishes Three New Funds

The Officers and Directors of the Ottawa Jewish Community Endowment and Bequest Foundation are pleased to announce the establishment of the following new Funds:

The Harry Levitan Endowment Fund — established by Mr. Levitan with a paid-up insurance policy to which he will add additional sums from time to time.

The Jacob and Leah Rivers Memorial Fund — established by the Rivers family and friends to perpetuate the memory of the late Jacob and Leah Rivers.

The Abraham and Fanny Dobrow Memorial Fund — established by their daughters Mrs. Esther Solman and Mrs. Miriam Goldstein to perpetuate the memory of their parents.

This brings the total number of segregated Funds under Foundation administration in the four years of its operation to twenty-one. Assets are presently \$300,000. The other Funds are as follows:

Endowment Funds

Michael Freedman Foundation, Harold Shenkman Foundation, Bess Greenberg Foundation, Norman and Sonia Kizell Foundation, Louis and Sylvia Rubin Foundation, B'nai B'rith Ottawa Lodge 885 Foundation.

Memorial Funds

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Information on any aspect of the Foundation or requests for copies of the audited financial statement for 1976 should be addressed to Casey Swedlove, executive secretary at 236-2993.

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Hillel Lodge Seeks Support Launches Membership Drive

Hillel Lodge needs new members, and all men and women of our Community are urged to affiliate themselves with our beautiful Home for the Elderly.

The Jewish New Year is a most appropriate time for you to respond in a positive way to this appeal to strengthen our membership numbers. Please say YES when a member of the Board of Directors or of the Women's Auxiliary telephones you shortly, inviting you to join.

The membership fee is only \$10—an excellent investment on your part in relation to the essential services which the Lodge provides. Why not telephone Executive Director Yale Greenberg at 236-7132 Now to confirm your Hillel Lodge membership!

From all of us here at Hillel to every one of the Community, the Lodge sends warmest New Year Greetings and our best wishes for your continued well-being and good health.

Herman Roodman
Membership Chairman
Hillel Lodge

Life Members Plaque Unveiled at Lodge Auxiliary Installation

At the annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Hillel Lodge held last June, the following executive was elected: Hon. President: Mrs. I. (Helen) Beilis; Past President: Mrs. H. (Elsie) Baker; President: Miss Freda Carlofsky; Vice-President: Mrs. H. (Thelma) Steinman; Vice-President: Mrs. A. Feldman; Recording Secretary: Mrs. M. (Fay) English; Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. S. (Rachel) Nadolny; Treasurer: Mrs. P. (Esther) Siegel.

A new bronze plaque which will list the names of Life Members, was unveiled by Theodore P. Metrick, Q.C., President of the

Board of Directors, and Mrs. J. (Sadie) Silverman, Chairman of the Life Membership Committee. Cost of Life membership is \$100. New members are welcome. Mrs. M. (Goldie) Cantor is looking after regular memberships.

If you would like to make a contribution to the Auxiliary to commemorate any occasion, please call either Mrs. S. (Rose) Fine at 729-5304 or Mrs. S. (Miriam) Goldstein at 237-3035.

Volunteers are needed to visit the residents. Why not drop in any afternoon from 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. and join the residents for a cup of tea and cookies.

"Help Save Anatoly" Sharansky's Wife Plea

Canada (especially Toronto) welcomed the visit of Natalyi Sharansky, wife of arrested Soviet activist, Anatoly Sharansky. Arriving on August 1, Mrs Sharansky was immediately immersed in a round of media appearances arranged by Joseph Pomerant, QC noted criminal lawyer, who extended his services to her and to local members of the Sharansky family. She was intensively interviewed by the press. Articles appeared in the Toronto Star and The Sun explaining her role in Canada and how she hopes all Canadians can be enrolled to save her husband who has been incommunicado in Lefortovo Prison for almost five months. Mr. Pomerant was interviewed on CBC's Barbara Frum show. The Toronto chapter of the Lawyers and Jurists Committee for Soviet Jewry held a reception for Mrs. Sharansky on Wednesday, August

3. She delivered a short speech on Saturday, August 6 at morning services at Beth Tikvah Synagogue. Before returning to Israel, Mrs. Sharansky met with the officers of Toronto Jewish Congress and members of the Regional Committee for Soviet Jewry.

Hundreds of Soviet Jews have publicly gone on record to support Anatoly Shransky and plead for World Jewry to act on his behalf. Their statement condemns the Soviet government in implying a conspiracy by Soviet Jews, American reporters and Moscow embassy officials and compares these groundless charges to the "doctors plot" of 1953. Such names as Dina and Yosef Bellin, Alexander Lerner, Ida Nudel, Vladimir Slepak, Victor Brailovsky and many others have signed the document.

Celebrate Jerusalem Reunited Never To Be Divided Again

At the heart of our religious faith, at the core of our spiritual heritage stands the Holy City of Jerusalem whose sanctity and eternal link with God are supreme in our prayers during the High Holy Days.

This period has special significance for the Jewish people. It marks the tenth anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem as the spiritual centre of our people and as the capital of the rebuilt and re-established State of Israel.

From the day of the proclamation of the State of Israel in 1948 to the Six Day War of 1967, Jerusalem was a divided city. Now that we are celebrating the tenth anniversary of its reunification, it is a time for thanksgiving that the Old City, with the Western Wall and other shrines sacred to the Jewish people since King David proclaimed the city as the capital of ancient Israel 3,000 years ago, is once again a central part of the life and prayers of our people.

This is also the time for asserting our resolve to preserve and strengthen United Jerusalem, to help it grow as a living symbol of the permanence of Israel so that it may never be divided again and that no part of it may ever be cut off again from the State of Israel.

During the past ten years Jerusalem has been reborn in spirit and in substance. With the aid of Israel Bonds the Holy City has achieved an encouraging record of economic, social, cultural, and religious development. Although it can now boast of being the fastest growing city in the State of Israel, a great deal more needs to be done to promote its development as the home of government ministries, as an industrial centre and as the crowning spiritual symbol of the regeneration of Israel and of Judaism.

Great as the needs of Jerusalem are, the needs of Israel as a whole are even greater. It is a time when its people are exposed to extremely severe economic and political pressures — when the road to peace remains long and arduous — when the solidarity of world Jewry



Rabbi Shlomo Goren holding a Torah Scroll and blowing the shofar at the Western Wall immediately after the liberation of Jerusalem in 1967.

is crucial to the destiny and future of Israel.

To strengthen Israel, to stand guard over the City of Jerusalem, you are asked during this solemn High Holiday period to enroll as a member of Shomrei Yerushalaim (Guardians of Jerusalem) through a minimum purchase of \$1,000 in Israel Bonds. The strength of Israel's economy is the key to its hopes for peace and therefore every man, woman, and child in the family should be inscribed as a Shomer Yerushalaim to proclaim

to our fellow Jews and to the world at large our commitment to the survival and to the growth of the State of Israel under all conditions and in the face of all possible dangers and hardships.

Make your New Year wishes for Israel come true with an act of immediate and direct support that will reaffirm your unbroken and unbreakable partnership with your fellow Jews in Eretz Israel. In that way you will help inscribe our people everywhere for a Shana Tova.

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A Young Man Died and I Must Write

A Tribute to Joe Bodnoff
by a Friend of His Youth

Joe Bodnoff, D.F.M. Age 55. (formerly of Ottawa, Ontario). Suddenly in Los Angeles, California. Husband of Sarah Tattlebaum; father of the late Barry Bodnoff; son of the late Irving and Annie Bodnoff and brother of the late Philip Bodnoff of Ottawa; survived by sister Mrs. Bernard (Muriel) Putterman, Windsor, Ontario and brothers Morley and Ronald, Ottawa, Ontario.

Since Joe is buried in Los Angeles, his last place of residence, many of his Ottawa friends of younger days were unable to say goodbye.

Who was Joe Bodnoff? Joe lived in lower town, the then Jewish enclave of Ottawa. And although the year was 1936, it seems like yesterday that a group of us, wanting to play in the Jewish Boys' Softball League, approached Joe Feller (Men's Wear) to sponsor us. He did. With bright yellow sweatshirts having a green patch over the front and bright canary yellow "Joe Feller". And we played. Joe was our catcher and what a catcher!

From 1936 through 1940-41 we stayed together, changing sponsors from Joe Feller to Barney Weiss' Capitol Hotel to Sammy Greenberg's United Coal — and Joe, quiet and unassuming, caught the wild pitches of Izzy Rebner, the Matt Ages smoke ball, the Sammy Betcherman drop; the Joey Berezin tricky curves and slow balls. We not only played ball together, but walked to school, sat on the stoops, double-dated, went to shul and all those wonderful things one does with friends.

Then the war dispersed us. Joe chose the Air Force and graduated as a Sergeant Wireless Air Gunner.

It would be Joe, to pick one of the most difficult aircrew jobs. Then one day — headlines "R.C.A.F. Patrol Boat sinks German submarine off North Atlantic Coast — Crew Missing" and one of the listed crew members was SAG Joseph Bodnoff.

I can remember with such clarity the tremendous feeling of loss. But miracles do happen and the next day Canadian papers again headlined "Crew Found: Pilot awarded V.C." And reading on, one saw where the crew after their plane was mortally damaged by gunfire from the U-boat, agreed with their pilot to press their attack and with their last gasp succeeded in bombing and sinking the U-boat. They couldn't make it home and ditched into the North Atlantic. The pilot died but the crew members somehow survived for some ten hours in a life raft. And Joe couldn't swim a stroke! The papers then went on to write that Joseph Bodnoff, for his courageous role in the action, was awarded the D.F.M.

I can remember Joe coming home shortly after, and the open house his parents had on Nelson Street. And Joe, still quiet, telling us how it was — not really very much — and then I remember him walking his young lady friend home.

We were dispersed again due to the exigencies of war and after the war, most of our threads weaved in all different directions.

I had not seen Joe for some time and only reading the obituary did I learn that he lost a son. What a heartbreak this must have been!

Joseph (Joe) Bodnoff, bred and born in Ottawa, curly-haired, handsome, with a sparkle in his eye and a tilt in his walk, dead. Rest easy Joe.

Aches and Pains

by Rabbi Donald R. Gerber

Temple Israel



At "yontif" we "kvetch" a lot. Elul is a month of preparation. We blow that horn nearly every day and awaken the humanity in the depths of our being. So "nu" we don't really hear the horn, Elul goes by and the family's together for dinner on Rosh Hashanah evening and the spirit is the same as Chanukah, less serious than Pesach. We enjoy and we "kvetch" because it's expected. After all it's ten days until atonement and counting — aveinu malkeinu, shema koleinu, al chait, al chait — Our Father Our King, hear our cry, we have sinned! How we "kvetch". The Rabbis talk t'shuva — overcoming our alienation from one another and God. Let's face it, few of us have any place to return. Most of us are pretty self-centred, insensitive and undisciplined folk. Sure, we do our volunteer work most of which is to fill our own personal void, most of which is for our own sake. We kept ourselves functioning on maybe two out of eight human cylinders last year and we'd be satisfied with the same 25 per cent sensitivity this coming year.

Who are we trying to fool — ourselves again, our neighbours, God? First of all it's easy to fool ourselves. Every Jew has got enough excuses for every confession he makes on "yontif". So it's true we're willing to go through the motions and pay the very small price of soul-searching. But how much soul can you really search when you haven't activated it in years. Every year of selfish neglect covers over what little real soul we've got left. So "yontif" is a game of appearances. They are days we deceive ourselves.

And our neighbours — are we trying to fool them? I think so! But they really don't care about what we're going through because they are so preoccupied with what they are doing. Perhaps this is the healthiest aspect of our "Days of Awe" — we must expect nothing of

our Jewish neighbours. For once in the year we must not think of their failures toward us, but only our failures toward them. "Alevai" — how many of us are that serious and that humble to change our destructively critical orientation of the rest of the year to transcend our pettiness even for a "yontif" moment. We can't fool our neighbours. So what about God? Can we fool God? Absolutely not! You and I are fully aware of the fact that if our lives are shallow we are not reconciled with God. Now this is the message of our holiest season: selfishness and superficiality will lead only to stagnation and guilt. This "yontif" is a time to make progress in our lives.

I thank God that we as a community of Jews are so blessed with financial stability, freedom and relative good health. If we were to evaluate the number of lonely, or unemployed, or individuals sick of body or soul, we would be astounded by the lack of serious problems within our community. If each of us would only stop "kvetching" and really pray for the strength to function on even four out of our eight human cylinders, we'd clean ourselves up so fast it wouldn't even be Shemini Atzeret before we started helping others.

Welcome New Hazzan To Agudath Israel

The Agudath Israel Congregation is pleased to welcome Rabbi Yosef Carmi to the Synagogue. Rabbi Carmi has assumed the position of Hazzan Sheni.

Rabbi Carmi, a fifth generation native of Jerusalem, previously served in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, and Peterborough, before his arrival in Ottawa. He is accompanied by his wife Lusie, who will be teaching at the West End Branch, Hillel Academy. Rabbi and Mrs. Carmi have two children, Arie, now residing in Madison, Wisconsin, and Sofia who is attending school in Toronto.



The Jewish Community of Ottawa extends a warm welcome to Rabbi and Mrs. Carmi, and wishes them a long and fruitful association with our city.

Youth Tackle Judaism Questions At Annual Synagogue Seminar

by Zvia Schwartz—Ellie Kardish

National Conference of Synagogue Youth Seminar creates an opportunity for youth between the ages of 14-18 to experience a week of their true Jewish heritage.

For six days, youth from Montreal, Hamilton, Kingston, Perth and Toronto come to Lake Buckhorn, in the Kawartha region to mix with others in a relaxed and informal atmosphere.

Seminar is comprised of sessions, prayer, music and sports. Sessions revolve around discussions through which participants can question advisers about problems they face in Judaism. Music is a major part of Seminar. Through N.C.S.Y.'s unique expression of singing and dancing one can better understand one's relationship with G-d and Judaism. A special voluntary session, led by an adviser, is held for N.C.S.Y. ers who feel that they do not understand the concepts of prayer. Shabbat is celebrated in a restful and spiritual environment, through which the young people better appreciate the beauty of "Yiddishkeit".

Throughout Seminar, N.C.S.Y. ers live in a world of their own, removed from the day-to-day reality of the problems they discuss; with the end of the Seminar participants must take what they have learned and apply solutions to the problems which plague Jewish youth, especially in the smaller Jewish communities. Leaders hope that those who have taken part will utilize the knowledge gained and apply it in a way which will make them strong and concerned Jews.

This year, Seminar for National Conference of Synagogue Youth was held from August 24-29. Those attending from Ottawa were: Julie Gelphand, Allan Honigman, Ellie Kardish, Janis Klein, Issie Rosas, Zvia Schwartz and Robert Weinstein. Debbie Litwak was the adviser from Ottawa.

Another seminar is planned for December. N.C.S.Y. ers hope that a larger number of Ottawans will participate at that time. For information on N.C.S.Y. membership and activities contact, Zvia Schwartz at 233-1524 or Ellie Kardish at 232-4340.



Beginning the Study of Cumash Ottawa Talmud Torah — 1948

Top Row: left to right: Mr. Werner Bauer, Jack Weiner, Stephen Maser, Simon Morin, Terry Taller, Allan Plect, Jerry Kathelson, Sheldon Taylor, Mr. Jacob Gordon. Front row: Rabbi Baruch Kravetz, Charlotte Levinson, Ruth Mayherger, Barry Baker, Jerry Slipacoff, Larry Ballon, Woolson, Earl Maser, Larry Schneider, Arthur Cogan, Abe Nadrich, Diane Slavin, Bessie Kardish, Evelyn Monson, Dorothy Kizell, Ruth Boronstein, Aviva Kravetz. Photograph courtesy Mrs. Esther Baker and the Ottawa Jewish Historical Society.



Jewish Community Centre Spotlights



Reflections

by Jerry Melman
Executive Director, JCC

Sabras — Two For A Lira

Having just returned from Israel I find myself thinking "Who can forget that familiar chant..." The problem is that while everyone knows what a sabra is, not everyone is sure what a lira is — or will be the next day... the definition of a new immigrant and the veteran Israeli goes like this. The veteran Israeli upon entering an Egged bus throws a body block on you and grabs your seat. The new immigrant throws a body block, grabs your seat and then asks if he took your place...

I love El Al, the only airlines that offers you non-stop — via Amsterdam, Paris, London etc. etc. By the way, it is one of the only airlines where people sing HaTikvah on the way out, and O Canada on the way back... If you sit in the rear section you have a rare chance to hear how the food was "Don't eat that, ask for this..." from the people coming already to the bathroom from the front section. I love 'em!...

Of course there is the more serious side to life... the ever impending political crises, the daily stress of incorporating new immigrants and meeting the needs of its existing society. The one thing that impresses me is that everyone is involved, is contributing. Some may not like what is happening and they are certainly vocal and demanding change. It is as if that small country has become the "Centre" of the universe. One statement that will remain with the Melman's was uttered by our younger son Dan. Having just been to the Western Wall, and having emerged from the throngs in Jerusalem's Old City, he quietly asked me "Where did we all come from?"

ATTENTION WEST END

If you are planning to attend 4 or more sessions this year, it will be to your advantage to take out Centre membership. It will then cost less to participate.

Girls Volleyball COACHES

If you can come out and coach a few hours each week contact Ron Boro at 232-7306.

SABBATH AND HOLIDAYS

The Centre is closed on Shabbat. The fall Jewish holidays building schedule is as follows:

Rosh Hashanah	
Monday, September 12	The Centre is closed from 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 13	All day
Wednesday, September 14	All day
The Centre opens:	Thursday, September 15 at 9:00 a.m.
Yom Kippur	
Wednesday, September 21	The Centre is closed from 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 22	All day
The Centre opens:	Friday, September 23 at 9:00 a.m.
Sukkot	
Monday, September 26	The Centre is closed from 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 27	All day
Wednesday, September 28	All day
The Centre opens:	Thursday, September 29 at 9:00 a.m.
Simchat Torah	
Monday, October 3	The Centre is closed from 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 4	All day
Wednesday, October 5	All day
The Centre opens:	Thursday, October 6 at 9:00 a.m.
New Year's Day	
January 1, 1978	The Centre is closed

For the months of September and October, the Centre switchboard will close at 5:00 p.m. on Fridays. For the months of November and December, the Centre switchboard will close at 4:00 p.m. on Fridays.

Physical Education Department

Hockey At Nepean Rink

The Physical Education Department at the Centre is happy to announce that it acquired ice at the Nepean Sportsplex. This is the first time that the Jewish Community Centre has offered hockey. We are hoping that as many individuals as possible will come out and play.

Special thanks to Joel Greenberg for assisting us in this matter. For more information call Joel at the Crib and Carriage or Ron Boro at the Physical Education Department.

Time: Saturday night, 11.55 p.m. — 1.00 a.m.

Varsity Basketball

The Jewish Community Centre will again enter a team at the Intermediate City Basketball League. Anyone interested in playing in this team should contact Allan Torontow or Ron Boro.

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Business People's Olympics at Mooney's Bay Sun. Sept. 11

Attention all runners, whether of the slow, medium or fast variety. We invite you to join other members of our fitness classes who will be taking part in the Business people's Olympics on Sunday, September 11, at the Mooney's Bay track.

This is a participation — type Track meet with age categories for men and women as follows:

Junior 20-29; Intermediate 30-39; Senior 40-49; Master 50 and over.

Events will include 100 metre and 400 metre sprints, 1,500 metre,

3,000 metre and 5,000 metre runs. There will also be long and high jumps, shotput and javelin throw.

The Novelty events are a Tog-of-War, and Egg Toss and a 4 legged (3 persons!) race.

The meet will start at 9.00 a.m. and should be finished by 2.30 p.m. Ron and I will be there to help with warm-ups, pacing etc. and further information. Entry forms will be available from The Phys Ed offices during the week of September 6. Join the J.C.C. joggers team! We'll see you there.

Diane Palmason

Important Notice For All Health Club Members

1. You must present your membership card for entry into the Physical Education area. This will be strictly enforced.

2. Noon hour and regular attenders will be able to leave their membership cards with the basket room attendant. This is a convenience offered to frequent users of the area.

We hope you will co-operate with us in trying to protect you and your equipment.

Ron Boro,
Director,
Physical Education.

Annual General Meeting Tuesday, October 11

The Annual General Meeting of Directors and membership of the Jewish Community Centre will be held on Tuesday evening, October 11, at 8:00 p.m. in the Adult Lounge of the Jewish Community Centre. The purpose of this meeting is to elect Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

The By-Laws provide for the elections of Directors and the Nominating Committee proposes the names of the following members for the Board: Ben Achbar, Rabbi Saul Aranov, Noreen Bosloy, Leon Bronstein, Linda Cogan, Malcolm Glube, Morley Goldfield, John Greenberg, Cheryl Kardish, Norman Lesh, Sandra Levinson, Elliott Levitan, Howie Osterer, Irving Rivers, Morton Ross, Saul Ross, Martin Tatz, Steve Victor, Jack Vinokur.

The Past Presidents of the organization, Bernard M. Alexandor, Q.C., Alex Betcherman, Hyman Soloway, Q.C., and Dr. Nathan Schecter are automatically members of the Board.

Additional nominations for Directors may be made by any member up to three days prior to the date fixed for the Annual Meeting by mailing same to the Secretary at 151 Chapel Street.

The By-Laws further provide that the Directors, at their first meeting following the Annual Meeting, shall elect a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, and Honorary Secretary.

Following the Annual Meeting, the community is invited for refreshments.

JCC West-End Fitness Classes 77-78

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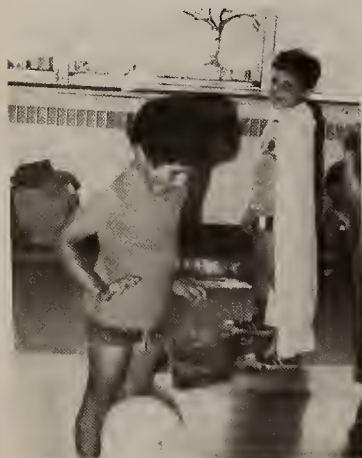
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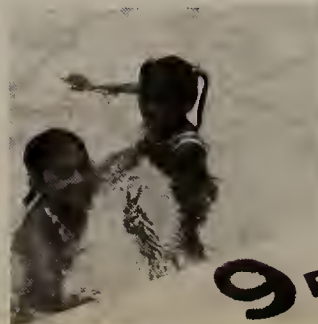


Arts And Crafts — Older children attending the Jewish Day Camp are taught to make useful gadgets in the Arts and Crafts Department. It keeps the youngsters occupied and they all enjoy the class while developing an interesting hobby. Left to right: Joel Wasserman, Russell Glatt, Lil Stromberg (instructor), Lynn Wechsler, Gerry Lampert, Eddie Altman (councillor of Senior Boys Group) and Harvey Levine. (1953)



Isn't This A Lovely Rabbit? — That's what the girls are telling Arlene Green as she holds one of the camp rabbits at the Jewish Day Camp. Left to right: Sandra Koffman, Helen Katz, Arlene Green, Betty Lou Pomerlan and Norina Lobel. (1953)

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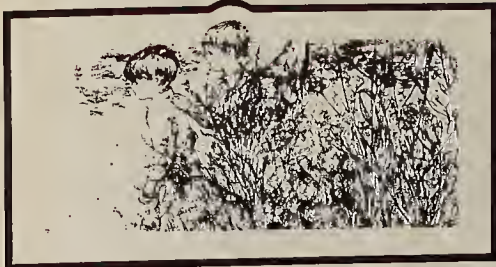
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Second Annual Art Auction Set For Saturday Sept. 24



"Secret Path" Lithograph by Mary Vickers, sold at the Art Auction last year.

The Agudath Israel Sisterhood invites the entire community to its second Art Auction at the Synagogue (1400 Coldrey Ave) on Saturday, September 24. The preview will be at 8:00 p.m. and the auction will begin at 9:00 p.m.

It will be conducted by: Marlin Art, New York. Auctioneer: Sol Adams. There will be no admission fee. There will be a door prize and refreshments.

Join the Sisterhood members for the fun and add to your collection!

New Ottawa B'nai B'rith Lodge Welcoming Breakfast Sept. 18

His worship, Mayor Lorry Greenberg will be the honoured guest speaker at a B'nai Brith breakfast on Sunday, September 18, at 10:00 a.m. at the Talisman Motor Hotel.

The breakfast is being held to welcome prospective members to the By-town Lodge.

Those who join before the Lodge obtains its charter at the end of October will be its charter members.

Cover charge for the breakfast will be \$2.00. Those wishing to attend should contact Abe Schwartz at 225-0475, Abe Aberback at 820-5097.



Mayor Lorry Greenberg

B. B. Women 421 Hold Wine-Cheese Party Wed.

B'nai B'rith Women, Ottawa Chapter 421, will hold a membership wine and cheese party on Wednesday September 7, at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Vera Gara, 232

Island Park Drive. Edith Torohin, Vice President of Eastern Canada B'nai B'rith will be the guest speaker.

Letter to the Editor

I believe that there is a need to create in Ottawa one or several Jewish religious groups for whom worship, study, discussion, contact and other forms of the "Jewish experience" are the raison d'être.

The "technical" aspects: form of worship, meeting place and time are to be discussed in common.

I would ask those who would be interested in participating to any

degree whatsoever (which of course would not preclude participation in any other association) to please write to the undersigned. To reduce organizational work and expenses a self-addressed stamped envelope would be appreciated.

Roger Fishler
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Congratulations are extended to: Mr. and Mrs. Mose Korn who celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on September 3.

Fashion show Changes Noted

In the August 19 issue of the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin and Review, the announcement of the Sinai Chapter Fashion Show, being held on Thursday September 8, should have read Sarah Marcovitch and Fay Koffman, co-convenors. The admission price was erroneously submitted as \$3.00 and should have read \$3.50.

Since the publication of the last Bulletin, plans have been finalized for the commentator of the evening. Peter Emmerson, of CJOH-TV will serve as commentator for the annual Fall event, which takes place at Machzikei Hadas, 2310 Virginia Drive, starting at 8:00 p.m.

Seek Youth Program Leaders

Agudath Israel Congregation still has a few positions available for qualified college students or adults in the various synagogue youth programs.

Contact Rabbi Roy D. Tanenbaum, at the synagogue office, 728-3501, for further information.

Agudath Israel Gift Shop Items

The Gift Shop at Agudath Israel Synagogue 1400 Coldrey Ave is the place to go to if you are interested in Jewish articles from Israel and the U.S. Gifts for every occasion, wedding, Bar Mitzva, Bat Mitzva, house warming, as gifts for the home or for special occasions.

The gift shop is open Sunday morning from 10:00 - 12:00 p.m. (after labour day) or by appointment.

Call Malca Goldstein — 729-1140 or Shirley Saloman 729-3587.

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C.I.C.F. Opens Season With Art Exhibit, Party

On Sunday September 25, the Canada Israel Cultural Foundation will hold an art exhibit and party at the home of Mr and Mrs Fred Cogan, 564 Hillsdale Road, Rockcliffe Park, between 3.00 and 9.00 p.m.

This will launch the year for the C.I.C.F.'s activities in Ottawa.

The Cogan's home will be used to exhibit items of Canadian and Israeli art, from the collections of several prominent Ottawa art collectors. This exhibit and party is

open to all interested persons.

Further details will be published in the September 16 edition of the Bulletin.

On Sunday October 23 Israeli Duo Pianists Eden and Tamir will perform at a concert in the Theatre of the National Arts Centre, as part of their North American debut. Tickets for this concert will go on sale at the Arts Centre box office three weeks prior to the concert date.

Young Adults Plan Active Calendar For 1977-1978

Ottawa Jewish Young Adults gets the '77 social season underway with a Homecoming Party on Saturday September 10, at the Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street. The party takes place in the adult lounge, starting at 9:30 p.m.

Admission is \$2.00 per person at the door, with the first drink free.

First-timers are admitted free. Newcomers to Ottawa are especially welcome. Liquor is \$1.00 a drink, soft drinks 25 cents.

For information call Abe Nadrich at 232-7306.

The 78 people who took part in Young Adults' Cocktails in July party at the Chateau Laurier all look forward to next year's event.

Calendar of Events for 1977-1978

September: Homecoming Bash, Saturday September 10, JCC, 151 Chapel Street
October: Hallowe'en Ball, Saturday October 29
November: Wine and Cheese Party, Saturday November 19
December: Latkes Party, Saturday, December 3 — New Years Eve Party, Saturday December 31
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January: Winter Warm-Up Party, Saturday January 21
February: Valentine's Dance, Saturday, February 11
March: Hamantashen Party, Saturday March 18
April: Spring Fling IV, Saturday April 15
May: State of Israel Independence Celebration, 30th anniversary, May 12 — May Flowers Party, Saturday May 13
June: Strawberries'n Cream Party, Saturday June 10
July: Cocktails in July, Saturday July 15
August: Hot August Night, Saturday August 19

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Rosh Hashanah

Rejection of Fatalism

by Abraham Arnold

In Jewish tradition the New Year is observed as the anniversary and renewal of creation.

It is celebrated for two days with impressive services in the synagogue and festive meals in the home.

Rosh Hashanah, literally the beginning of the year, is regarded as the Day of Memorial and also as the Day of Remembrance. These should be seen as two distinctly different themes. The memorial is a commemoration of the departed. The remembrance involves the recollection of the beginning of the world, man's function in it, and the particular role of the Jewish people, all linked with God's review of the deeds of men and women.

It is perhaps to emphasize the separation of the memorial and remembrance themes that the commemoration of the departed begins during the week before the New Year with a visit to the cemetery, often through the synagogue.

The memorial is intensely personal for each individual whose loved ones are now in their eternal resting place. At the same time it is a strongly shared memorial of Jewish lives lost through the centuries, whether as scapegoats for the Black Plague, as "heretics" during the age of Inquisition and variously, to the beginning of the 20th century, as victims of pogroms.

Rising above these tragedies, long past, there is the commemoration of lives lost in more recent cataclysmic events, from the depths of the Nazi "final solution" in the Second World War to the bittersweet victories in the wars for Israel's independence and survival. Most of these experiences, whether personally remembered or handed down from the recollection of others, are such that many Jews may be overcome with deep feelings of despair.

No matter how great the feeling of loss on the Day of Memorial Jews are cautioned not to be driven to a pessimistic or fatalistic view of the world and of their position in it.

In fact the other New Year theme, the Day of Remembrance, urges the rejection of fatalism as a concept which is almost completely foreign to Jewish tradition. It is explained that Jews have survived so much adversity that they cannot believe in unrelenting condemnation or peremptory doom. There is always the hope for a way out.

Non-Jewish as well as Jewish philosophers have suggested that Jews have played a vital role in the dynamics of human progress throughout history.

Theodor H. Gaster, a well-known interpreter of traditional Jewish observances, suggests that central to the idea of Rosh Hashanah as the Day of Remembrance is "the power of memory itself (as it) defies oblivion, breaks the coils of the present, establishes the continuity of the generations and rescues human life and effort from futility..."

New Year's Day, Mr Gaster adds, "is at once a day of judgement and a new beginning. If it looks backward, it does so only on the way forward; and its symbol is the trumpet of an eternal reveille."

Barbara Ward Jackson has pointed to the Jews as "the first to believe that history itself has meaning and that progress, not repetition, is the law of life." In her book *Spaceship Earth* she has called on the world to see that "the Jewish vision ... is profoundly concerned with man's social existence here and now" and she points out that Jewish prophetic tradition "stubbornly rejects any accommodation with the stratification of society...."

As Jews celebrate the New Year they are called upon to remember their place in history and to consider the significance of ancient rites and ceremonies as interpreted in keeping with advanced ethical concepts about human society. The rejection of fatalism is accompanied by a call to renewal of personal creativity. Abraham Arnold is co-author of *Jewish Life in Canada* (Hurtig)

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